Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 19 Nov 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 20 Nov 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 18 Nov 2021 at 16:14 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high, but some uncertainty in timing of rain and colder conditions that follow on Saturday.

Headline for Friday 19 Nov 2021: Severe gales, low cloud and rain or drizzle.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 19 Nov 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Fog	Heavy Rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
80%	80%	80%	70%	50%	40%	80%	80%

Forecast for Friday 19 Nov 2021

Weather: Dull, damp and windy. Rain or drizzle through the early hours and morning, most persistent across western hills. Turning drier around middle of the day and early afternoon, some brighter spells east of the Cairngorm Plateau. Further rain in the evening. Severe gales on the summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Nil in the west, 30% in the east in the afternoon.

Visibility: Poor, often falling to a few km or less in drizzle at low levels. In the west, cloud persistent above 600m. In the east, cloud above 700-800m, but may lift to around 1000m for a few hours in the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	51/66 W	47/63 W	47/63 W	44/58 W	45/60 W	43/57 W	41/55 W	38/51 W	37/51 SW
900	46/57 SW	42/54 SW	42/53 SW	39/50 W	38/49 W	38/49 W	35/47 SW	33/44 SW	34/45 SW
600	32/42 SW	30/41 SW	28/40 SW	26/37 SW	26/36 W	26/36 W	24/35 SW	23/34 SW	23/35 SW
300	16/35 SW	16/35 SW	15/34 SW	14/30 SW	15/31 SW	13/30 SW	14/31 SW	14/30 SW	14/31 SW
Glen	7/31 SW	7/32 SW	7/31 SW	7/29 SW	8/29 SW	6/27 SW	6/25 SW	5/22 SW	5/23 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	4/-4	4/-4	4/-3	4/-3	4/-4	4/-4	4/-4	3/-4	3/-5
900	7/-0	7/0	7/1	7/1	7/1	7/1	6/0	6/0	5/-1
600	8/3	8/4	9/4	9/5	9/4	9/5	8/4	8/4	8/3
300	10/7	10/7	11/8	11/8	11/8	11/8	10/8	10/7	10/7
Glen	11/9	12/9	12/9	12/9	13/10	12/10	11/9	11/9	11/8
Freezing Level*	2200m	2100m	2100m	2100m	2000m	2000m	2200m	2200m	2100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Strong winds combined with damp conditions will give an enhanced chill despite relatively mild conditions.

Forecast for Saturday 20 Nov 2021

Weather: Patchy drizzle through the early hours turns to heavy persistent rain around dawn. This turns briefly to snow above 900m before clearing south around midday. Colder clearer conditions then follow, but with scattered showers, falling as snow above 700-800m. Shower turn heavier and more frequent for a couple for hours in the evening.

Maximum wind: West 25-30 gusting 35-40 mph, becoming Northwest 20 gusting 30 mph by evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Nil in the morning, 50% in the afternoon and evening.

Visibility: Poor in the morning in low cloud, bases around 600-800m. Variable in the afternoon, poor in passing low cloud and showers, but very good outside of these. Occasional cloud above 800-1000m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 9 Celsius falling to plus 6 Celsius in the afternoon, and plus 5 Celsius in the evening.
At 800m: Plus 6 Celsius, falling to plus 3 Celsius in the afternoon, plus 1 Celsius in the evening.
Freezing level: Above the summits, falling to 1200m by late morning, 900m by evening.

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